3 SLAYERS DIE IN ELECTRIC STATE AVENGES WOMAN'S

Maxwell Wins at Checkers Game With Paul Hilton

Special Dispatch to The GRAPHIC

OSSINING, Dec. 10.—John Maxwell won a game of checkers a few minutes before he went to the electric chair at Sing Sing last night with William and Casimir Barszyouck, brothers, to pay the supreme penalty for the murder of Mrs. Mary Betsch during the robbery of a chain grocery store in Brooklyn last February. All three men were from Brooklyn.

They were convicted of first-degree murder in the slaying of Mrs. Betsch after it was brought out during the trial that Maxwell had fired the fatal shot.

Maxwell was playing checkers with Paul Hilton, the radio burglar, who was convicted of the murder of Patrolman Kenney in Queens, when he was summoned to the execution chamber. He made one last move and by it won the

He looked up at Father John J. McCaffrey, who had come to march with him to the death chamber. and muffled a slight yawn. It was typical of his attitude during his entire stay in the death house. Even when his sister, Mary Maxwho lives in The Bronx, came to visit him earlier in the day he



John Maxwell

Paul Hilton

did not break down, even though she wept in his arms.

whom live at 937 Jefferson Ave., Brooklyn. At first William Bar-szyouck refused to see his mother.

But when his brother welcomed her, William gave way to tears and knelt before her. Both boys received her blessing and then were left alone once more in the solitude of their cells to await death.

William looked at the comic strips in a newspaper and mut-

"This is only part of my bad luck. I always got a bad break all my life."

Casimir was the first to go to e chair. He shook hands with



Casimir Barszyouck Wm.Barsyouck

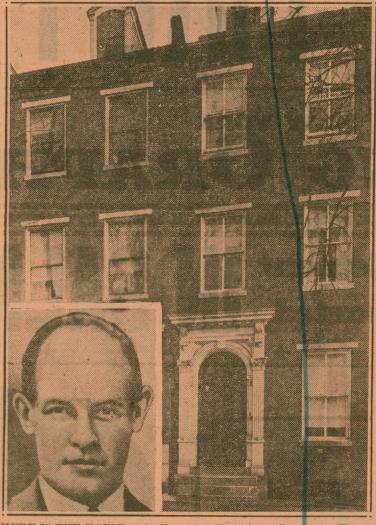
the thirteen other inmates of the calmly to the death chamber with Father McCaffrey. Casimir had taken part only in the robbery and not in the actual murder.

"It Is Murder Now"

Just before he sat in the electric chair Casimir turned to the attendants.

"Folks, it is murder now," he declared. "If it has never been

Where Ormiston Was Caught



HERE IS THE HOUSE at 25 Front St., Harrisburg, Pa., G. Ormiston, radio operator, who is accused of having lived with Aimee McPherson, the evangelist, during the time when she said she was kidnaped, took refuge and avoided the police. Inset is Ormiston.

Ormiston Heads for Chi; Will Fight Keyes There

CHICAGO, Dec. 10.—Kenneth G. Ormiston, radio It was different with the two operator who is wanted in connection with the conspiracy Barszyouck boys. Their aged mother case against Mrs. Aimee Semple McPherson, Los Angeles came to the death house with her two daughters and her son, all of

The next "legal murder" victim to Chicago as prey of the state—was William Barszyouck. As he was leaving his were made to cell he refused to shake hands with take Ormiston his fellows in the death house.

Harry Cowan of Brooklyn, who nia without his went blind when he killed his consent. Ormis-sweetheart in Brooklyn and then ton was found in attempted to commit suicide, groped forward eagerly to shake Williams's hand, but he turned a u tomobile rudely away.

"I didn't shake hands when I came in here," he said, "and I don't see why I should do it now."

Maintains Innocence

With his brother, William maintained to the last that he was in-

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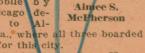
tion to California

murder, it's murder now. Good-by, folks. Good-by, father.

He was strapped in the chair and was dead at 11:11 p. m.

His attorney, Edward H. S. Martin, announced that the legal battle in the McPherson case would shift case would shift

were made to back to Califorand was taken by automobile by two Chicago tectives to Altoona, Pa., where



a train for this District Attorney now in Washington, D. C., in con-nection with the Fall-Doheny trial, informed Mr. Martin that he would immediately start action to extradite the radio operator and put m on the stand with Mrs. Mc-pherson when the trial is resumed.

BULLETIN

SOMERVILLE, N. J., Dec. 10. -Judge Frank L. Cleary of the Somerset County Court of Common Pleas today dismissed complaints against Felix di Martini, private detective, and Mrs. Minna Clark of New Brunswick, who had been acfact in the Hall-Mills murders.

Subway Rush-Hour Panic Caused by Train Afire; Women Battered in Jam

Dense clouds of smoke, filtering through the cars of a Lexington Avenue subway train, today threw passengers into excitement and threatened for a time to precipitate fullfledged panic.

City Approves Subway Contract,

With the approval of another big subway contract by the Board of Estimate the decks were cleared today for further action to relieve transit congestion.

In addition to the subway contract, a \$58,000,000 vehicular tun-

nel and relief of traffic congestion over bridges spanning the East River was discussed. Mayor Walker was ab-The Board of

Estimate awarded the construction of the section of the new controller Berry subway in 6th

Avenue, between West 3d and Bank Streets, to the Oakdale Construction Company at its price of \$8,-875,522. The board appropriated for the work \$9,025,522

Centroller Berry refrained from voting, in accordance with his declaration that he would take no further stand on the subway ques-tion until the Board of Estimate had adopted a definite transit

Clearing House (Official figures)

Balances 82,000,000 In the meantime, trains had been held up north of the station and Credit balance. 80,000,000 thousands of workers were late in reaching business.

Men and women, most of them on the way to business, scrambled to leave the train when it took fire just north of 86th Street station. Berry Not Voting In the crush many were bruised and narrowly escaped serious in-

The train of ten cars was southbound and packed as all trains are at 8.25 a. m. As it approached 86th Street station too much pressure on the third rail shoe ignited the under structure of the fifth car. There was no outburst of flame, but the tunnel became filled with smoke. It penetrated the cars and caused passengers to believe the fire was larger than it really was.

Rush for Doors

As the train drew into the station guards opened the doors, and there was a stampede. Women and girls were sent sprawling in the maelstrom of excited humanity. At least one window was broken in the mad rush.

In the meantime the smoke had gone up through the street grating and was seen by Patrolmen Lillianthal and Dorsey of East 104th street station. They rushed downstairs to find the platform filled with a milling, shouting mob.

Calmed by Officers

The officers plunged into the mass, shouting that the danger was past and cautioning the men and women to "keep cool." It was fully ten minutes, however, before they succeeded in restoring order. When their efforts were successful, the passengers once more boarded the Exchanges ____\$872,000,000 train and continued their journey.

W.B. Leeds Jr. May Divorce Princess Xenia in Paris

Dispatches from London today indicate that all is not well in the household of William B. Leeds, Jr., son of the late millionaire tinplate king. The undercurrent of discord which seeped into his romance some time ago is reported to have driven him on to Paris, where he may seek a divorce from Princess Xenia, charming member of one of Europe's fast disappearing royal families.

and her marriage Leeds was looked upon as a genuine love match. Monarchy Plot

When the priness returned to hiis country after visiting her randmother,

Queen Olga of Greece, lastWilliam B. Leeds spring, she insisted she still loved her husband, and talk of separation then had absolutely no foun-

dation. Leeds's mother married Prince Christopher of Greece after her husband's death and assumed the title of Princess Anastasia. She ed three years ago. It was fre-

Princess Xenia was one of the quently rumored during her life nost beautiful women of the Rusthat some of the Leedssed lions would be used to finance monarchial movement to restore the Greek dynasty to the throne in

THEWEATHER

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 10,



U. S. WEATHER FORECAST

LOCAL—Rain tonight; Saturday cloudy; moderate temperature; fresh northeast winds, becoming southwest.

EASTERN NEW YORK—Cloudy, with rain tonight and in north portion Saturday; not much change in temperature; fresh northeast, shifting to southwest, winds.